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## SUMMARY:

I told Degnan that we could not identify the two reports listed in his request. Also,  STAT was away until the end of November. Degnan said his staffers were interested in sharing the results of their research with  and he would tell them STAT late November might be a possibility. Degnan accepted my inability to identify the two reports and suggested that they might be obtained at the Commerce Dept.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: GAO Briefing on Energy Situation in the Caribbean

1. ON 30 May 1984, GAO staffers Joseph Murray, Gary Chin, Linda Dawson and Sharon Cekala were briefed on Mexico and the Caribbean region as a source of energy supplies for the US. The GAO is conducting a study of the region to determine its usefulness and reliability as a long-term energy supplier to the US. CIA briefers included [redacted]

[redacted] from DI/ALA, and [redacted] from DI/OGI. The 2-hour briefing was held at the SECRET level. [redacted]

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2. The chief emphasis of the briefing was on Mexico and Venezuela. The briefers covered the political situation in Mexico, its energy relationship with the US and the possibility that Mexican oil facilities could become targets for terrorists or disaffected Mexican workers. Also discussed were Mexican oil deposits and refining capabilities and the projected role Mexican petroleum will play in meeting long-term US needs. Cuba was viewed as a threat to US energy interests thorough its intervention in the Caribbean region. The final segment of the briefing focused on Venezuela with a political/military overview and disucssion of its relations with the US. [redacted]

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3. The GAO staff notes were collected, stamped secret, and sent to GAO via courier. GAO may seek further consultations with CIA analysts before the project is completed in late 1984. [redacted]

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